



**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

Page 2, please delete the heading: "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION".

Please delete the paragraph which was inserted under the heading at page 2 "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION" (which paragraph was presented by the AMENDMENT dated August 2, 2000, and filed August 7, 2000), and insert the following new section:

**--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

--The present application is a continuation of U.S. Application [Serial] No. 08/545,108 filed October 19, 1995, now U.S. Patent 5,940,771 [by Charles D. Gollnick *et al.*,] which itself is a continuation of U.S. Application [Serial] No. [08/947,102] 07/947,102 filed September 14, 1992, now abandoned. Said [Serial] Application No. [08/947,102] 07/947,102 is a continuation in part of [Charles D. Gollnick *et al.*,] U.S. Application [Serial] No. 07/907,927 filed June 30, 1992, now abandoned, which is a continuation in part of: 1) U.S. Application [Serial] No. 07/857,603 filed March 30, 1992, now abandoned, 2) PCT Application No. PCT/US92/03982 filed May 13, 1992, now abandoned; 3) U.S. Application [Serial] No. 07/769,425 filed October 1, 1991, now abandoned; which is itself a continuation in part of U.S. Application [Serial] No. 07/790,946 filed November 12, 1991, now abandoned--



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Please amend claim 40 as follows, solely to place the claim in independent form, without change in scope thereof:

--40. (Amended)     A radio frequency data collection network comprising:  
      a plurality of roaming data collection terminals;  
      a plurality of base stations that transmit information packets periodically at each  
of defined intervals;  
      the plurality of roaming data collection terminals and the plurality of base stations  
each having wireless transceivers; and  
      each of said roaming data collection terminals selectively deactivates its wireless  
transceiver for a consecutive plurality of the defined intervals, and then activates its  
wireless transceiver to allow receiving the information packets;  
wherein each of said roaming data collection terminals attempts to synchronize  
activation of its wireless transceiver to receive information packets transmitted by at least  
one of the plurality of base stations; and

[The radio frequency data communications system of claim 39,]

wherein the information packets transmitted by the plurality of base stations  
comprise pending message indications. --



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**REMARKS**

By the present amendments, the rejected claims 38 and 39 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, and allowable claim 40 has been rewritten in independent form without any change in scope.

Accordingly, the application is in condition for formal allowance with allowed claims 40 - 52.

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A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time is enclosed.

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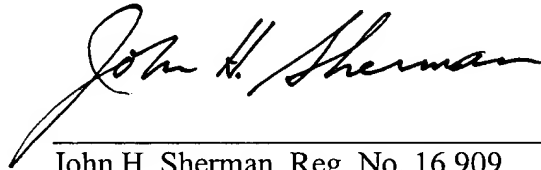
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**Additional Claim Fee**

Since independent claim 38 has been cancelled, no additional claim fee is believed due.

Please charge any underpayments related to this response or credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 14-1190.

Respectfully,



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Enclosures: (1) Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time  
(2) Change of Correspondence Address